

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF**

July 23, 2001

**Present and Voting:**

Judy Schwartau, Jeffrey Strand, Holliar Tyner, Nicholas Kakos, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Sharon Sayles Belton, Barret Lane (Alternate, City Council), Rep. Joe Mullery, Albert Gallmon (Alternate, School Board), Denise Stephens (Alternate for David Jennings) Diane Hofstede, and Mark Stenglein, chair, presiding

**Alternates Attending:**

Gretchen Nicholls

**Absent:**

Jackie Cherryhomes, Edward Solomon, Catherine Shreves, Emmett Carson, James Colville, Dick Johnson, David Jennings

**Staff:**

Bob Miller, Peg Mountin, Brett Feldman, Joe Horan, Carsten Slostad

**Others Present:**

Bob Cooper, Lori Olson, Jeff Schneider, Kathleen O'Brien, Pat Born, Steve Cramer, representatives from the Whitter neighborhood and other interested citizens

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mark Stenglein, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Upon a motion by Barret Lane and seconded by Holliar Tyner the agenda was adopted.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon a motion by Nicholas Kakos and seconded by Jeffrey Strand the minutes of the June 18, 2001 meeting were adopted.

#### **IV. PRESENTATION**

##### **1. Funding Issues Resulting from the 2001 Tax Bill**

On July 9, 2001 a joint meeting of the Ways & Means/Budget and Community Development Committees of the City Council was held. At that meeting a presentation was made to inform committee members and the public of the implications for Minneapolis and the NRP of the adopted 2001 Tax Bill. At this meeting (July 23, 2001) of the Policy Board a similar presentation was made by representatives of the City.

Patrick Born, City Finance Officer, focused his presentation on what the legislature did in the tax bill, what it means for Minneapolis taxpayers, and what the impact will be on City finances and community development. Steve Cramer, Executive Director of the Minneapolis Community Development Agency, then presented a more detailed review of the issues confronting MCDA and NRP because of this legislative change. The presentation concluded with Kathleen O'Brien, City Coordinator, outlining the steps that the NRP Community Development Work Team will be taking to identify strategies that address the City's community development needs.

#### **V. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **1. Moratorium on Phase II Funding Requests**

[NRP / PR#2001-11]

Given the uncertain funding for Phase II, Bob Miller presented to the Policy Board a recommendation to suspend the commitment of any and all future Phase II funds until such time as the source and amount of the funds to support Phase II are identified and approved by the board. He then presented the current status of NRP funds and based upon that status suggested that it was appropriate to proceed with Participation Agreements that have already been approved using the Plan Development Advance Fund approved by the Board last November. After considerable discussion, a consensus was reached to suspend expenditures from this fund as well.

Peter McLaughlin moved and Sharon Sayles Belton seconded the suggested resolution and then Peter McLaughlin moved and Joe Mullery seconded to amend by deleting the proposed third and fourth clauses and substituting a new third clause. To address concern that some emergency funding may be needed to support a neighborhood organization while future funding is being determined, Diane Hofstede moved and Barret Lane seconded to amend by adding a new fourth clause. The following is the complete resolution as amended and adopted.



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**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

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**ATTEST:** Mark Stenglein, Chair